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ACID BY PHOTOCATALYST AND
APPARATUS THEREFOR

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CONTINUING PATENT APPLICATION
TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) is a:

☐ Continuation ☒ Division ☐ Continuation-In-Part (CIP)

of the above-identified copending prior application in which no patenting, abandonment, or termination of proceedings has occurred. Priority to the above-identified prior application is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120 for this continuing application. The entire disclosure of the above-identified prior application is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuing application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

Enclosed are:

- ☒ Specification, Claim(s), and Abstract (32 pages).
- ☒ Formal drawings (13 sheets, Figures 1-19).
- ☒ Application Data Sheet (37 CFR 1.76) (5 pages).
- ☒ Copy of Declaration and Power of Attorney (2 pages).
- ☒ Preliminary Amendment.
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (2 pages).
- ☒ Form PTO-1449 (1 page).

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